

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
EASTERN DISTRICT OF MISSOURI
EASTERN DIVISION

JOSEPH ANTONIO WEAVER,

Plaintiff,

v.

HERBERT L. BERNSEN,

Defendant,

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No. 4:15CV629 RLW

MEMORANDUM AND ORDER

Joseph Weaver has filed this civil rights action on behalf of several other prisoners at the St. Louis City Justice Center. He has not named himself as a plaintiff, and he purports to be the other inmates' agent. However, plaintiff is not authorized to practice law.

Non-lawyers may sue on their own behalf, but they may not sue on behalf of others. See 28 U.S.C. § 1654; see also 7A Wright, Miller & Kane, Federal Practice and Procedure: Civil 3d § 1769.1 ("class representatives cannot appear pro se."). As a result, this action has not been properly filed, and it is summarily dismissed.

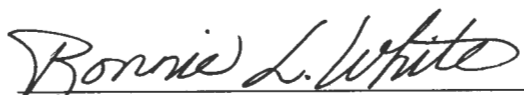
If any of the prisoners named in the complaint wish to file a civil rights action based on the facts alleged in the complaint, they must file individual lawsuits.

Accordingly,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that this action is **DISMISSED** without prejudice.

An Order of Dismissal will be filed separately.

Dated this 23rd day of April, 2015.



RONNIE L. WHITE
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE